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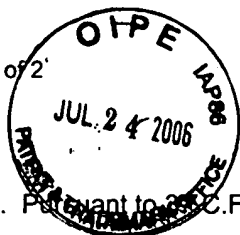
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The French scientific publication by O. Yebdri and F. Texier (*Bull. Soc. Chim. Fr.*) discloses preparation of a series of 2,3-dihydro-4-phenyl pyrrole compounds having nitrile and ester disubstitution on the 3-position. The Yebdri publication also describes saponification of the ester to provide the corresponding 2,5-dihydropyrrole compound (see for instance compound 19). There is no disclosure in the Yebdri publication of a pharmaceutical use for the compounds disclosed therein.

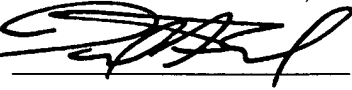
The French scientific publication by A. Ranjon (*Bull. Soc. Chim. Fr.*) discloses photooxidation reactions of polyphenyl imidazole and polyphenyl pyrrole compounds in which 2,5-endoperoxide derivatives are transient intermediates. The Ranjon publication also describes dihydroxypyrrole intermediates in such reactions (see for instance compound 29). There is no disclosure in the Ranjon publication of a pharmaceutical use for the compounds disclosed therein.

The instant invention discloses certain substituted 2,4-diaryl-2,5-dihydropyrroles that are inhibitors of the mitotic kinesin KSP and are useful in the treatment of cancer.

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